

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 0600 January 15 2016 to 1800 January 15 2016



Snow blankets the Sierra Nevada near I-80 on 01/15/16.

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Note: [Report updates are in blue](#)



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# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **911 Outage, Wawona, Mariposa County**

- On 01/15/16 at 0903 hours the California State Warning Center (CSWC) received a report indicating that there was a 911 outage in Wawona, Mariposa County.
- The California 911 Branch advised the following at 1641 hours:
  - A Microwave Team is working each segment of the Microwave System in Yosemite clearing one at a time. Microwave Technicians have cleared the Yosemite 61 Remote and has advised that the damage could be caused by an alignment problem at a repeater located near the El Capitan.
  - Due to the weather conditions, the crew will resume work tomorrow morning after 0900 hours. Two teams are scheduled to work on the damage in the morning. Per AT&T, an update will be provided on 01/16/16 at 1000 hours.
  - Yosemite National Park PD is not affected by this outage and is in service.
  - Wawona, Mariposa County CA with 539 ATNs affected (affecting the 209 area code).

## **Flood Operations Center (FOC)**

- Widespread rain is forecast across Northern California this weekend, with the most intense rain falling Sunday and Monday.
- As of Friday afternoon, several forecast points along the North Coast and Upper Sacramento River are expected to exceed monitor (9) or flood (1) stage by Sunday evening.
- Colusa and Tisdale weirs are expected to start flowing by Sunday.
- A Flash flood watch is in effect from Sunday morning through early Monday morning for the Valley, Rocky, and Jerusalem fires burn areas in Lake County.
- Department of Water Resources (DWR) staff have pre-positioned 52,000 sandbags in Lake County in cooperation with the Lake County Office of Emergency Services.
- The California-Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) will issue forecasts for the North Coast, Upper Sacramento Valley, and Russian/Napa area at the following times:
  - Saturday, 01/16/16: 0900 & 1500 hours
  - Sunday, 01/17/16: 0900, 1500, & 2100 hours
  - Monday, 01/18/16: 0300, 0900, 1500, & 2100 hours
- The CNRFC may adjust this schedule if conditions warrant.
- Based on these forecasts, FOC staff will update river recordings and make High Water Notification Calls as needed.
- The FOC will monitor conditions and consider extending operating hours over the weekend if needed.
- A weather and hydrology briefing is scheduled for Tuesday, 01/19/16, at 1000 hours.
- There are no requests for assistance at this time.

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## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

## **Weather of Concern**

### **Northern California**

- The active weather continues to roll into the region. After the past series of relatively minor winter storms, we can expect wetter systems to move into the Sierra as an Atmospheric River becomes directed towards the west coast. This will begin later Sunday afternoon and could continue through Tuesday.
- Confidence is high that there will be significant moisture beginning Sunday afternoon and evening, but there is some uncertainty about the strength and timing of individual pulses.
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Mad River at Arcata forecast to go above monitor stage (Humboldt County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Eel River at Fernbridge is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Humboldt County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Van Duzen at Bridgeville is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Humboldt County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Navarro River at Navarro is forecasted to go above flood stage (Mendocino County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Russian River at Hopland is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Mendocino County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Sacramento River at Tehama Bridge is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Tehama County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Sacramento River at Ord Ferry is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Glenn County).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Sacramento River at Colusa Bridge is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Colusa).
- As of 1850 hours on 01/15/16, the Sacramento River at Tisdale Weir is forecasted to go above monitor stage (Sutter County).

### **Southern California**

- Gusty westerly winds will continue this afternoon near mountain ridgetops, along desert slopes, into adjacent desert areas, including the San Geronio Pass in the Northern Coachella Valley. Isolated top gusts to 55 mph are expected. Winds will diminish this evening.
- A large swell from the west northwest will produce surf of 8 to 10 feet over portions of the Southern California coast, with some sets reaching up to 14 feet. Very strong rip currents are expected. Beach erosion will also be a concern.

### **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:**

[http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php)

# WEATHER

## **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

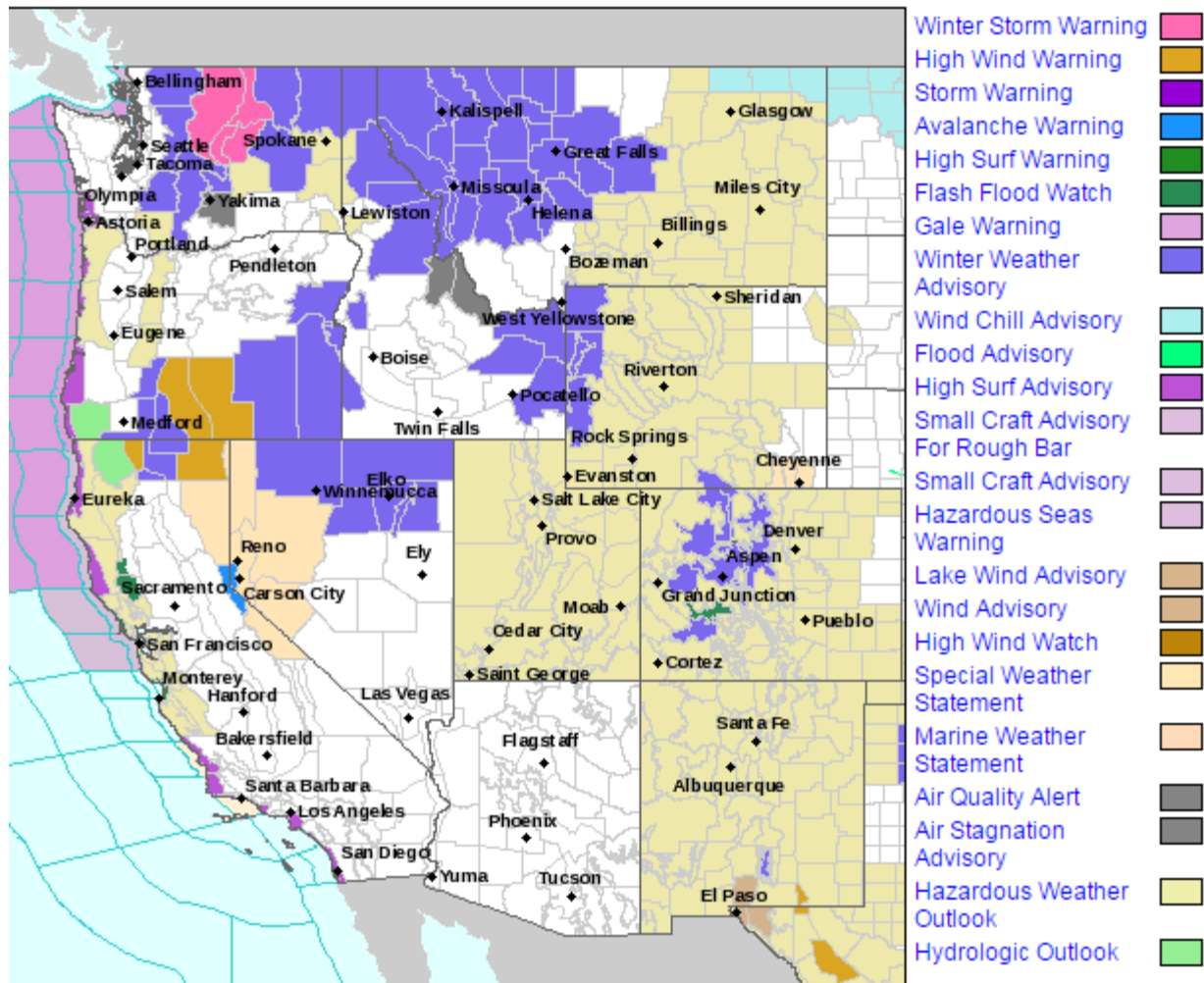
A steady train of moist Pacific winter weather systems will bring periods of rain and/or snow for the next week and beyond. The next system will reach the North Coast late this afternoon and spread across the region tonight and Saturday. Snow levels will be 4000-6000 feet. An even stronger system is expected to bring heavy rain Sunday into early Monday. Southeast to southwest winds will gust to 30-40 mph with exposed areas seeing gusts of 50 mph or more Sunday afternoon and evening. A third system is expected Tuesday and a fourth will pass through the area Wednesday night and Thursday. More rain is possible the following weekend. Other than the Sunday/Monday system southeast to southwest gusts with each system will reach 25-35 mph in many areas, and up to 40-50 mph in the high country. Snow levels will generally range from 4000-6000 feet but will probably be somewhat lower in the northern areas at times. Over the next 7 days rainfall equivalent totals could reach up to 12 inches in the northwest mountains and 2-5 inches in the mountains elsewhere. Valleys and areas east of the Cascade-Sierra crest may see 1-3 inches in the next week. At times areas with recent large fires will receive heavy rainfall and problems with debris flows will become likely.

## **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A seemingly endless parade of storm systems moving into the Pacific Northwest will skirmish with a ridge over the Eastern Pacific for weather dominance during the period. Most of the precipitation associated with the storms will remain over the northern half of the state and most of the district will remain partly to mostly cloudy and cool for the balance of weekend into the middle of next week. The first system is already moving east of the area at the current time, but some light showers will be possible in and near the Sierras through most of the day. Temperatures will remain 3-5 degrees below normal with highs in the 30s to lower 40s in the mountains to the low 60s below 2,000 feet in Southern California. West winds of 15-25 mph with gusts to 35 mph can be expected in the Antelope Valley. Saturday, another trough will quickly pass through the state, leading to light rain from San Luis Obispo and Tulare Counties northward. A quarter of an inch of rain will be possible along the central coast with up to a half inch of rain in the Sierra Foothills. Significant snow will be possible in the northern Sierras, but our district should only see 4-8 inches of snow in the Sierras from Yosemite N.P. northward above 7,000 feet. After a partly cloudy and dry Sunday, a slightly deeper system is expected to arrive Monday night into Tuesday. This system may bring up to an inch of rain to the higher terrain of Central California with a tenth to a quarter of an inch possible over the southern part of the state early Tuesday morning. Temperatures may be close to seasonal averages Sunday and Monday, but expect much cooler weather Tuesday. A warming trend may occur during the second half of next week. Long range models indicate the pattern of weakening storms quickly moving through the state may continue through next weekend. No exceptionally strong storms look to impact the area during the next 10 days.



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>





# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

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### **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

**A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:**

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).





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We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

*We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.*